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**The Daily Press.**

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 1ST 1909.

The great part the Newspaper Press has played in all enlightened countries in the education of the people and in keeping governments themselves in due subjection to their duties seems to be duly appreciated by the Constitutional Reform Commission of China, and it is interesting to notice that the Commission has just issued instructions to the newly-established Provincial Assemblies that newspaper representatives shall be admitted to the meetings for the purpose of reporting the proceedings for the information of the general public. Great advantage would doubtless accrue from the general discussion of the projects which come before these Deliberative Assemblies, but it may astonish many of our readers to learn that very few of the provinces of China, even yet, are able to boast of a newspaper. Ten years ago there were not a score of daily newspapers in the whole Empire of China, and though we have seen in the

Hongkong papers from time to time references to the growth of the newspaper Press in China, the total number of daily and weekly Chinese newspapers still falls far short of a hundred, even when we include the fourteen published in Hongkong, whose circulation spreads beyond the confines of the Colony. The lack of a great and influential newspaper Press will militate against a rapid development of the reform movement in China, but we hope and believe that the inauguration of constitutional reform and the

spread of education will speedily lead to the extension of the newspaper Press in China as it did in Japan. Journalism in Japan may be said to date from 1861, when a fortnightly sheet, printed in the Japanese language, first appeared. It was not until 1870 that the first daily newspaper made its appearance in Tokyo, and not until the Eighties—whence dates the rise of the democratic movement in Japan—that any considerable impetus was given to newspaper enterprise. To-day nearly two thousand newspapers and periodicals are published in Japan, and there is not a town of any size in the Empire that cannot boast of one or more. China in this respect is thirty or forty years behind Japan. Take, for example, our neighbouring province of Kwangtung. The whole province of thirty-two million souls depends for its journalism entirely on Canton, where ten newspapers are now published, and on the newspapers of Hongkong. Kiangsi, which has an estimated population of eight millions, possesses one solitary and very small newspaper. Many other provinces of China still have none whatever.

In view of these facts, it provokes a smile to read, as we do in one of the latest London papers, that the Chinese Ambassador, who presided at the annual dinner in aid of the News-vendors' charity, "could have devoted himself in his speech, had he liked, not to recommending the excellent charity over whose dinner he was presiding, but to dealing at large with the profession from which it takes its rise." We are told that "the Chinese started a paper in days when our only form of publication consisted in pinning the skin of a felon to a church door for the edification of the parish." That, of course, is gross exaggeration. The *Peking Gazette*, which is often alluded to as the oldest newspaper in the world, and was doubtless in the mind of the writer of the foregoing paragraph, was a newspaper in a very limited sense. It was, in fact, merely a Court circular, of which very few copies were actually printed, as there were no printing presses in those days, and the process was a slow one. The ancient Chinese printer worked with two brushes, one to ink the engraved blocks, the other to take the impression, by passing it over the paper when it had been laid on the block. Down to fifty years ago the *Peking Gazette* was known to the majority of its readers as a daily manuscript, only, for the few printed copies that were produced were copied by scribes attached to the viceregal yamens in the provinces. As a matter of historical fact, the honour of producing the first Chinese newspaper for the expression of public sentiment or opinion and for recording events of general public interest, other than Court intelligence, belongs, we believe, to the *Hongkong Daily Press*, Office, from which the *Chung Nghi San Po* was first issued in 1857 and has continued to issue ever since. The

majority of the Chinese newspapers which have since come into existence owe little to Chinese initiative, but we may confidently anticipate in the coming years a great development of the newspaper Press in China as a natural consequence of the remarkable educational movement now in evidence throughout the length and breadth of the land, and the direct incentive given to journalism by the inauguration of constitutional government. A powerful newspaper Press is necessary to China's development, and it is a significant sign of the times that the authorities are prepared to freely welcome the widest publication of the proceedings of the Provincial Councils, which are displaying a reforming zeal that is as gratifying as it is surprising. But that is another story, on which we shall have something to say in another article.

The Hankow A. D. C. played last week "His Excellency the Governor."

Mrs. Bailey (formerly of Hongkong) had the honour of presenting the Ladies' Purse at the Hankow Race Meeting.

Nine natives, who were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday with gambling, were found guilty. The keeper of the game was fined \$100, and each of the players \$4.

The U. S. Pacific Fleet has won top position in the target practice this year, and Rear Admiral Harbor's Squadron at the Philippines stands second in the list of squadrons.

Mr. A. Fong, the well-known photographer, sends us a photograph of the picturesque ceremony in Statue Square on the occasion of the unveiling of the statues last week. It was a ceremony which will long be remembered by those who witnessed it. No photograph could adequately represent the scene, but Mr. A. Fong has certainly obtained the best possible results with his camera, and many will doubtless be glad to procure so interesting a memento of the occasion.

A special Service for Seafarers (on the lines of that held annually in St. Paul's Cathedral on Trafalgar Day) will be held in St. John's Cathedral to-morrow, at 9 p.m. The preacher will be the Lord Bishop of Victoria. Members of the mercantile marine and all interested in their welfare are specially invited to be present.

Ching Sih-ta, described as a hemp broker of Fremontown, Shanghai, is charged with being concerned with another man not in custody in withdrawing 1,900 bales of hemp value Tls. 14,000, from the godown of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire in Fremontown without presenting his bills of lading, thereby defrauding the complainants.

In the prospectus of m. 24,000,000 new shares of the Shantung Railway Company at Berlin it is stated that the development of trade has experienced a further increase. The receipts during the past nine months of the current year amount to \$2,276,000, against \$1,722,000 in 1908. The company anticipates for the year 1909 a somewhat higher dividend than that for the past year of 4% per cent.

To-morrow Dr. J. C. Thomson will give a lecture at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. on "Sharks and the snakes prevalent in the neighbourhood of Hongkong," which will be illustrated by museum specimens of the principal types of snakes occurring in South China. To this lecture, which in itself will be most interesting, an element of novelty will be added through the courtesy of the authorities of the City Hall Museum in allowing their specimens to be exhibited and described by the lecturer.

A Kinkiang dispatch published by a Chinese contemporary says that a loan of Tls. 4,000,000 will be concluded with a foreign Power, for building a railway from Nanchang to Kinkiang. The loan will bear interest at 5 per cent, and the annual contribution of Tls. 300,000 by the Kiangsi province for the expense of the line will be utilized as a sinking fund to pay off the loan. This fund should be collected by the syndicate and no direct communication will be allowed with the Central or Provincial Governments. The loan will not be secured on the line, neither will it be issued in foreign names, but in Chinese in order to avoid public stricture. It is stated that the loan has been negotiated through an Expectant Taotai who is Sheng Kang-pao's nephew.

A collision occurred last week at Tang-chow, on the Yangtze River, between the C. M. steamer *Kiaukien*, Capt. C. Frigat, and the N.D.L. str. *Meihua*, Capt. E. Minningo. Both steamers were awaiting passengers at that port of call when the strong wind then blowing caused them to come together with the result that the *Meihua* struck the *Kiaukien* amidships, close to the engine-room, tearing a large hole in the latter's side. Fortunately there was no loss of life, and after making temporary repairs both vessels were able to proceed to Shanghai under their own steam. An examination showed that both steamers were so badly damaged that they will have to be docked before going on their usual runs.

Manila papers publish the information that the British steamer *Kazembe*, en route from New York to the Far East, including Manila, caught fire while discharging at Aden. The configuration was disastrous and the cargo was seriously damaged. A general average of twenty-five per cent has been declared at New York and the underwriters have called for a deposit of 25 per cent. The *Kazembe* has

aboard a big miscellaneous cargo for Manila port, including supplies for the insular purchasing agent, the quartermaster's department, the navy, and large quantities of Christmas goods for Manila merchants. The *Kazembe* is operated by the Buckland Steamship Lines, Ltd., of London, and is a vessel of 4,638 tons displacement. She was built in 1907 by A. Stephen and Sons, Ltd., of Glasgow, and is rated by Lloyd's as 100 A. 1.

CANON HENSON ON  
EPISCOPALIANISM.

Canon Papillon presided at a meeting of the Churchmen's Union, at St. Martin's Vestry Hall, Charing-cross, London, recently. Among those present were Canon Boeching, Prebendary Shefford, and Dr. Agar Boot.

Canon Henson said that two views of Episcopacy had contended for acceptance within the Church of England, and of those the older and more authoritative was not that which the Pan-Anglican Conference had adopted. The Episcopal Church of England had its place naturally as one of the reformed or Protestant Churches. It recognized the other Reformed and Protestant Churches as sisters, and was in full communion with them. All stood together as possessors and guardians of the "pure Gospel," the "reformed religion," against the "common enemy," the Roman Catholic Church.

That conception prevailed in the Church until the rise of the Tractarians in the first half of the 19th century. There was, however, another, and unauthorized, view which after a brief prominence, during the interval between the Restoration and the Revolution, fell into general disregard for 150 years, and then emerged in the "Tracts for the Times." Within little more than 70 years this view had crept into general acceptance among the clergy and now prevails on the Episcopal bench, a view he would call Episcopalianism. On this view the Church of England could have no dealings with any non-Episcopal Church, and therefore, with the exception of the Church of Sweden, it must endure a situation of religious solitude. It could have no religious intercourse with the Nonconformist Churches, which, though technically dissenting in England, were parts of great and flourishing communions in other lands. Episcopalianism thus involved isolation and strife. He held that the older Anglican view was true and more charitable, and that its restoration to an Anglican acceptance would be greatly beneficial to religion. He maintained that the Church of England was Episcopal and not Episcopalian.

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JAPANESE DIPLOMATIC  
CHANGES.

TOKYO, November 30th.

It is officially announced that Mr. Akizuki, the Minister to Belgium, has been appointed Ambassador to the Court of Vienna.

JAPANESE TRADE IN  
MANCHURIA.

AN AMERICAN CONSUL'S STATEMENT  
CONTRADICTED.

TOKYO, November 30th.

The Japanese authorities deny a report by the American Vice-Consul at Mukden that Japanese goods enter Manchuria duty free, and also the further statement that Japanese merchants receive advances from the Yokohama Specie Bank at 2 per cent. interest.

[EMBASSY'S SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."] AN ANGLO-GERMAN AGREEMENT.

LONDON, November 30th.

Reuter's correspondent at Berlin reports that an Anglo-German Agreement has been signed settling differences with regard to the boundaries of Uganda, German East Africa and the Congo. The details are being kept secret pending negotiations with regard to the Congo.

## NEW BRITISH WARSHIPS.

LONDON, November 30th.  
An improved Dreadnought, to be named "Orion," having a displacement of 23,000 tons and a speed of 21 knots, and a super-Invincible cruiser to be named "Lion," having a displacement of 26,000 tons and a speed equal to the Dreadnoughts, have been laid down.

## THE COMMONS AND FINANCIAL CONTROL.

LONDON, November 30th.  
The House of Commons will assemble on Wednesday, and Mr. Asquith on Thursday will move his resolution of remonstrance reaffirming the right of the House of Commons to the absolute control of finance.

## THE LORDS AND THE BUDGET.

LONDON, November 30th.  
In the House of Lords yesterday the debate on the Finance Bill was resumed.  
Lord Morley said Lord Lansdowne's amendment assumed the power of forcing a dissolution equivalent to the repeal of the Septennial Act. If the amendment were carried the whole financial machinery of the year would be deranged. It was not suggested that the Budget would bring about the millennium, but it was certain that it would not bring pandemonium.

Lord Rothschild said the Budget would undermine credit and destroy confidence. Thus the resources on which every Chancellor relied would be impaired.

Lord Middleton and Lord Ampthill denounced the Budget. Lord Ray, Lord Swaythling and Lord James of Hereford spoke in its defence.

## INTERPORT CRICKET.

## EIGHTH DAY.

HONGKONG v. COMBINED TEAM.

The interport cricket meeting concluded yesterday with the second stage of the match between Hongkong and the Combined Team drawn from Shanghai and Singapore players. Hongkong started with 175 for the loss of eight wickets, and the remaining two wickets brought the score up to 235, 40 in excess of the total made by the Combined Team. The feature of Hongkong's first innings was the brilliant stand made by Maundrell, whose hard hitting was responsible for his team's favourable position. When only five short of his century he was caught by the bowler. Scores:

T. E. Pearce, b Clark	45
A. C. E. Elborough, s and b Clark	9
W. H. Turner, c and b Clark	19
Capt. Garnett, s and b Clark	0
Rev. W. H. Maundrell, b Clark	25
W. Edwards, b Hennessy	17
R. E. H. Oliver, o Eddis, o Grenier	18
R. O. Hutchison, c Bagnall, b Grenier	0
Lieut. Green, b Hennessy	4
Lieut. Bagnall, o and b Clark	12
R. E. Bird, not out	12
Clarke	14
Main	6
Hennessy	18
Total	125
Bowling Analysis.	
O. M. R. W.	
H. Eddis	24.2
Lieut. Clark	13
Capt. Garnett	12
Rev. W. H. Maundrell	12
R. E. H. Oliver	4
R. O. Hutchison	3
Lieut. Green	4
R. E. Bird	1
Clarke	2
Main	0
Hennessy	5

## INTERPORT TENNIS.

HONGKONG.—(2nd INNINGS.)  
The Japanese authorities deny a report by the American Vice-Consul at Mukden that Japanese goods enter Manchuria duty free, and also the further statement that Japanese merchants receive advances from the Yokohama Specie Bank at 2 per cent. interest.

The Combined Team started batting at eleven o'clock, the Straits initial pair, Grenier and Eddis, making a good beginning. Eddis knocked up 35 in twenty minutes, when he was caught by Pearce, and his successor, Anderson, who was expected to do more than reach double figures, was clean bowled by Bird when the score had been run up to 59. The team were all dismissed by one o'clock for 187.

COMBINED TEAM.—(3RD INNINGS.)  
N. E. Grenier, o Oliver, b Bird

Lieut. Eddis, o Pearce, b Bird

Lieut. Clark, o Pearce, b Bird

Capt. Garnett, b Oliver

Rev. W. H. Maundrell, b Bagnall

D. Brand, o Green, b Bagnall

S. G. Maundrell, not out

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## THE SCOTTISH BALL.

## A BRILLIANT SUCCESS.

Hackneyed though the phrase may be, there is none other which adequately describes St. Andrew's Ball. A brilliant success it always has been, and last night's event was another. It could not well be otherwise when we remember that it is undertaken by men who have a shrewd business acumen as well as a social, pleasure-loving instinct. Apart from the King's Birthday Ball, which is the inauguration of the social season in the Colony, the Scottish ball is undoubtedly the event of the season. In numbers and in splendour it excels every other social event, and its popularity increases with each passing year.

St. Andrew's Day is the one day in the year when Scots abroad delight to gather together. They may have their reunions at the New Year or on Burns' Birthday, but the name day of their patron saint is always remembered. On that occasion they meet in larger numbers than at any other time. "When Scots meet hearts warm," and so they recall the memories of their native land and its dear associations. In Hongkong the celebrations are not confined to the festive board, which after all, is usually limited to the men. They are on a more comprehensive scale, and not only do they embrace the sons and daughters of Scotland themselves, but many other members of the community join in the pleasures of the evening, and thus it is that the ball assumes an importance which is unequalled in the Far East.

## THE DECORATIONS.

The decorations were of necessity on a less elaborate scale than on some former occasions owing to the fact that the Bandmann Comedy Company were in occupation of the Theatre up till the dawn of St. Andrew's Day, but it must be inferred that the usual picturesque effects were lacking. Far from it. The hall, when at its height, presented a scene of brilliancy and splendour and pleasing contrasts which was worthy of the best traditions of the Society. Greater simplicity characterised the adornment of the interior. For instance, at the bottom of the stairway was a large St. Andrew's Cross outlined with electric bulbs, while at the top the attention was arrested by the lion rampant of Scotland, supported by St. Andrew's crosses, and draped with flags. On either side of the massive mirror which hung beneath were the dates "1847" and "1909," which indicated the birth and age of the Society. As the national flower of Scotland, the thistle found a conspicuous place on the walls, which were further decorated with the warlike emblems of spear and battle-axe covered with the Highland targe. The beautiful design of the thistle was outlined in varicoloured lights above the stairway, and the many flags introduced added no little to the charm of the decorations.

St. Andrew's Hall was draped with white and blue, the colours of the Society, and the place of the pictures of Scottish worthies was filled by the Society's coat of arms. Round the walls were placed shields bearing the coats of arms of most of the clans and Scottish families.

In St. George's Hall the red and white of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank were employed to drape the doorways, a compliment to Chief Smith, and in addition to the clan crests in this hall the Scottish lion stood boldly overlooking the band, while the picture of Queen Victoria was accompanied by the royal standard.

The reception room was as before, but the Theatre Royal, which was used as the supper room, had fewer decorations, though more work was put into the seating and dining arrangements. The gallery was altered so as to give only two terraces, and those were guarded by red ropes running through standards. Spears, battle-axes and shields relieved the front of the balcony and also adorned the walls, while running round the back wall was the motto "I'll drink a cup too Scotland yet." As usual, the prettiest effect in the supper room was the horse-shoe table on the stage, which was beautifully decorated with flowers and laid with artistic care. Solidly built tables added much to the convenience of all.

Though the place names were absent this year, the clan crests placed on the walls afforded the old-time convenience for "trysting," as it was no easy matter for partners to discover each other in the midst of the gay throng which crowded the two halls, and in fact the entire building. "Auchtermorothy" was the resort of those who favoured less active pleasures than dancing.

Mention must be made of the gentlemen who laboured strenuously to achieve the fine picturesque results which delighted everybody, and the thanks of the Society are due to Messrs. J. I. Andrew (convenor), A. M. Marshall, Jas. Macdonald, G. Duncan, David Keith, Frank Graham and David Wood (hon. secretary), the members of the Decoration Committee.

## OFFICIALS.

The amount of work involved in connection with the Ball is enormous, and by far the largest share falls on the hon. secretary. The Society was again fortunate in having the services of Mr. David Wood, who discharged his multifarious duties with his customary diligence and urbanity. He was assisted by the following committees:

Invitation Committee.—Mr. J. E. M. Smith, Hon. Mr. Murray Stewart, Messrs. T. F. Hough, Robert Shawan, David Wood, G. M. Dalgety, W. Armstrong, J. W. C. Bonnar, Andrew Forbes, D. Macdonald, E. Ormiston, W. Dickson, R. M. Dyer, C. E. Anton, D. R. Law, D. Templeton, Hon. Mr. A. M. Thomson, Captain Campbell Heathcote, A.D.C., and Mr. David Wood (Hon. Sec.), Convenor.

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Cards Room Committee—Messrs. J. W. C. Bonnar (Convenor), J. Johnstone (J. M. and Co.), H. A. MacIntyre, W. M. Anderson, A. G. Gordon, J. McCubbin, David Wood (Hon. Sec.).

Ladies' Room Committee—Dr. D. B. Black and Messrs. Duncan Clark and A. Findlay Smith (Convenor).

Refreshment Room Committee—Messrs. T. F. Hough, Donald Macdonald, E. Ormiston.

Supper Committee—Mr. James D. Auld (Convenor)—"Dress Circle"—Messrs. J. Hall (in charge), R. McGregor, M. A. Murray, J. T. Douglas, H. Greig, W. Murray Scott, W. L. Leask, A. Davidson, Adam Gibson, J. D. Logan, W. D. Graham, Thos. Arthur, E. B. Beattie, G. L. Duncan, J. M. McHutchison, Wm. Pittendrigh, G. T. A. Robertson, J. Dunn, and C. A. W. Ferrier. "Stalls"—Messrs. A. R. Sutherland (in charge), A. V. Monk, A. C. More, J. Paterson, A. R. Austin, S. B. C. Ross, E. Grant Smith, G. Mortoni Smith, A. T. Walker, James Craik, J. Clark, Dr. John M. Gordon, R.N., Captain R. B. Crawford, R.G.A., Messrs. W. N. Fleming, W. Ironside, J. B. C. Neilson, J. W. Stewart, A. C. Leitch, F. G. Walker, A. W. W. Walkinshaw and J. Kennedy.

THE DANCE.

Dancing was timed to commence at nine o'clock, but shortly before that hour guests began to arrive and a steady stream continued to ascend the stairs for almost an hour afterwards.

The numbers were practically the same as before. It would be difficult to give actual figures, but it is estimated that well over a thousand persons were present.

Of course it was impossible for that

number to find dancing room on the floor

at one time, but other sources of amusement relieved the pressure somewhat, and after supper the accommodation was all that could be desired.

The Band of the Buffs supplied excellent music, even that for the Strathspey being beyond reproach. His Excellency the Governor again attended the ball. He was not at the entrance by "Chief" Smith and members of the General Committee, and, led by the Hon. Secretary (Mr. Wood), they were piped to St. Andrew's Hall by Hon. Piper Ian Neilson. Here the Band of the Buffs then played "God Save the King."

The Ball was opened officially by the dancing of the "Lancers," the official set being as follows:—H. E. the Governor and Mrs. Smith, Mr. J. R. M. Smith (President) and Mrs. Lyon, Hon. Mr. Murray Stewart (Vice-President) and Lady May, H.E. Major-General Broadwood and Mrs. Brewin, His Honour Chief Justice Rees Davies and Mrs. Ormiston, Commodore Herbert Lyon and Mrs. Bonnar, Hon. Sir F. H. May, K.C.M.G., and Mrs. Gresson, Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson and Mrs. Beddoe.

The programme was as follows:—

Extra Waltz ..... Chanson de mon Coeur

1. Lancers ..... The Mikado

2. Waltz ..... A Waltz Dream

3. Caledonians ..... The Highlanders

4. Waltz ..... Venus on Earth

5. Eightome Reel, The Delamang the Tailors,

6. Two Step ..... Yip-i-addy-i-yo

7. Caledonians ..... Scotch Airs

8. Strathspey and Reel, Marquis of Huntly

9. Waltz ..... Gold and Silver

10. Two Step ..... Teddy Bear's Picnic

11. Waltz ..... The Dollar Princess

12. Two Step ..... Old Daddy Pegleg

13. Waltz ..... Luna

14. Eightome Reel, Mr. McLeod of Roasy-

Off We Go

15. Polka ..... Monymusk and Reel o' Tulloch

16. Strathspey and Reel ..... Nas Luck about the Hoose

17. Highland Schottische ..... Selected

18. Caledonians ..... The Wind that shakes

19. Eightome Reel ..... the Barley

20. Waltz ..... Souris d' Avril

21. Two Step ..... Mosquito Parade

22. Waltz and Galop ..... Beautiful Danube

..... and Post Horn

THE SUPPER.

After the eighth dance on the programme

the President's supper party were conducted

by the Hon. Secretary and piped by Mr. Neilson from St. George's Hall to the Theatre

stage, where supper was served. The party

was composed of those who formed the official

and the following:—Hon. Mr. P. N. H. Jones and Mrs. Hewett, Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett and Mrs. Bedford, Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar, Hon. Mrs. Chamier, Mr. Donald Macdonald and Mrs. A. G. Gordon, Mr. E. Ormiston and Lady Fayrer.

During supper, the Chief proposed the toast of "The King." He said:—Your Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen—Nowhere in the British Isles can His Majesty the King look for greater loyalty than in Scotland—(applause)—and I am sure that nowhere in the British dominions beyond the seas where Scotsmen are gathered together to-night will the loyal toast be received with greater enthusiasm than here in the Colony of Hongkong under the auspices of St. Andrew's Society. (Applause.) Ladies and Gentlemen—“The King.”

The toast having been loudly honoured,

Chief Smith then proposed “The Pious

Memory of St. Andrew.” In doing so, he said—

Ladies and Gentlemen.—The thirtieth of Novem-

ber is a day that no Scotman, however far

he may have wandered from his native land,

can ever forget. It is the one great occasion in

the year which he is by tradition called upon to

celebrate, and in the East he is privileged by

old established custom to invite others to

participate in the celebration. On behalf of

the members of the Hongkong St. Andrew's

Society, I have the honour to bid all our

guests most heartily welcome to-night. St. Andrew's day, to the unsympathetic critic, is the day on which Scotsmen are wont to sing their own praises. That is not the object of our gatherings. We meet together only to give vent to our feelings of affection for the little country of our birth, and of pride in her history and traditions. (Applause.)

If to some it may seem that we are apt, on such occasions, to laud Scotia's merits to excess, I would ask them to attribute it to the excitement caused by the sound of the bag-pipe—(laughter)—and the sight of the tartans—(applause)—and not to any desire to emphasize national differences. As I have said, we are proud of our own traditions, but true love of country is no narrow sentiment. The man who loves his own country best is the man most ready to appreciate the national sentiments of others. The highest form of patriotism, beginning like charity at home, broadens out in ever-widening circles, and while we are here to night to proclaim ours in all intensity, we do not forget that it was Scotland's greatest poet in his noblest mood who uttered the immortal wish—

"That man to man, the world o'er, shall brothers be for s' that."

I now ask you to join me in drinking—"To the pious and immortal memory of Saint Andrew." The toast was drunk in silence.

The ceremony of bringing in the haggis then took place. Piper Neilson played in the haggis, which was carried by Mr. G. Duncan, while Mr. H. A. McIntyre carried the "hairy bree." These were placed in front of the Chieftain, who gave the carriers of the haggis and the whisky a dram from the quinch. He next partook himself from the quinch and offered the same to his chief gentlemen guests, and the whisky-bearer then supplied each gentleman guest with a dram. This ended the ceremony, but the pipes played at intervals during supper.

The menu was as follows:

MENU.

"Some has meat and canna eat,

And some wad eat what it;

But we has meat and we can eat,

And see the Lord be thankit."

1.—Saddle of Mutton 2.—Roast Turkey

3.—York Ham 4.—Roast Capon

5.—Corned Beef 6.—Game Pie

7.—Pato de Foie Gras in Jelly

8.—Chicken Salad 9.—Hot Potatoes

10.—THE HAGGIS.

"Fair fa' your honest sonnie face,

Greet chieftain o' the puddin' race,

Ahoon them ye tak your place."

"Freedom and whisky gang thagither. Tak off your dram."

SWEETS.

11.—Gooseberry Tart 12.—Jellies

13.—Blanc Mange 14.—Vanilla Ice Cream

15.—Chocolate Ice Cream.

"Breathes there man with soul so dead

Who never to himself hath said:

"This is my own, my native land,"

Whose heart haft ne'er within him burn'd

As home his footstep haft turn'd?

From wandering on a foreign strand?"

GREETINGS.

At the close the Chieftain read his own

Hongkong Scots' telegram to Brither Scots' of

Tientsin, Singapore, Manila, Iloilo, Foochow,

Welsaiwu, Penang, Amoy, Shanghai, Yoko-

ka, Kobe, Nagasaki, as follows:—"Chief

Smith and Hongkong Scots greet brither

Scots. David Wood, Hon. Secretary." Their

replies were read.

The piper played the President and his table

guests from the supper room to the ball room.

VICEROY TUAN'S DISMISSAL.

It is stated that in pursuance of a Decree

issued, the Ministry of Civil Appointments

determined on the penalties on the ex-Viceroy

Tuan Fang's behaviour, and decided that his

not in causing photographs to be taken of the

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**JAPAN'S NAVAL POLICY.**

**THE MASTERY OF THE PACIFIC.**

An article by the Japanese writer, Mr. Sato Kato, entitled, "The Mastery of the Pacific," in which he describes very definitely Japan's naval policy, is one of the leading features in *The Navy League Annual* published last month. Mr. Kato opens with a reference to gunnery practice, and says that the Japanese have proved that scientific gunnery in the hands of calm, cautious, yet alert men cannot be inaccurate. The gun need never miss the bull's-eye; it is the man who errs. The article proceeds: A Japanese naval captain on active service estimates the chief fighting units of warships belonging to various Powers as follows:—

1909. 1916. 1920.  
Great Britain ..... 81 ..... 78 ..... 74  
Germany ..... 32 ..... 40 ..... 37  
France ..... 28 ..... 30 ..... 40  
United States ..... 37 ..... 38 ..... 26

Since the above figures were computed the altered British naval policy apparently adheres to the unyielding position of her historical supremacy. But he (the Japanese officer) surmises that Great Britain may, should necessity arise, despatch forty warships to the Far Eastern waters in 1916, and 37 in 1920; Germany, 30 in 1916, and 37 in 1920; France, an uncertain number in 1916, and 40 in 1920; and the United States 38 in 1916, and 28 in 1920. It is taken for granted that Germany, France, and the United States are to be then in a position to send out their entire force, whilst Great Britain would only be able to spare one-half of her fighting units. Truly is the fate of Japan well nigh decided should we have to rely upon the comparative strength of fleets on paper.

In the year 1917, however, the Japanese Navy will open a new chapter, inasmuch as the Government must then ask the people to vote for a fresh Appropriation Bill. It must be borne in mind that Japanese naval pay is remarkably small. The Japanese admiral receives slightly less than the British engineer-captain's salary. The rear-admiral is paid no more than the British commander receives. The captain, to whose charge a vessel worth £2,000,000 is entrusted, receives not as much as some of the British lieutenants. It cannot be therefore an exaggeration if we say that the naval funds possess three times their monetary value in Japan as compared to identical amounts voted in other countries. That is to say, a grant of four millions corresponds to twelve millions. Indeed, so economical is the disbursement of money for constructive purposes that the Japanese Government may well be congratulated upon their achievement in building a battleship at one-third the money previously found necessary for the purpose. At a proper moment, accordingly, the Japanese will have in commission an adequate number of fighting ships, and the funds for their construction will not be lacking.

No navy is of any consequence unless the ships are built in home Dockyards with material produced at home; all the component parts essential to the naval cause should be capable of being manufactured at will in time of war as well as in peace. A naval Power is the nation that is not disturbed by the laws of neutrality in the consideration of her bellicose operations at sea. In 1866 the first steamer, *Chiyodagata*, of 139 tons, was built with the aid of French naval architects, but since April, 1877, the Japanese have dispensed with assistants from foreign countries. A strategical distribution of Dockyards is also necessary, not concentration in one place, so that if the fortune of war may not curtail operations even should the country be devastated at a certain point. The fall of one Admiralty port should not interfere with the movements of the Japanese Navy. The war of 1894-5 commenced with twenty-eight ships of some 57,600 tons in all, which could be aggregated by three or four ships of the present day dimensions. As soon as battleship construction commenced in Japan, we did not repeat wasteful experiments in building insignificant vessels, but immediately the Japanese endeavoured to surpass any other vessels afloat or building, and a considerable success had been attained. Japan's utmost determination is to maintain as few as possible number of vessels of quality and efficiency; but once hostilities commence, there will be a commencement in the building of men-of-war, and no workman will then ask the Government to be paid as long as he is provided with the indigent commodities of life.

It is commonly reported that there are nine submarines in the Japanese service, but in a very short time ordinary torpedo-boats will be superseded by submarines designed and built in Japan. The construction of submarines is a most secret section in the Japanese Navy. The type of vessel itself is recondite. Why should not the service be reconditioned? At a critical hour it will be strange indeed if the authorities find themselves unable to utilize some thirty-two submarines, boats instantaneous. The preparations are nothing but a rampart for our national existence. The Japanese Navy should take no part in the international show contrasting various pretensions. The latest design Japanese battleship externally in a measure resembles a merchantman, but only to outward appearance. It is neither gorgeous nor ostentatious.

Undoubtedly there are several causes to make a country worthy of being a nation; but in the present century a Power is a nation that can produce steel within its own land. Japan struggled hard to do, and has now surmounted the difficulty in the manufacture of steel. At all events, Japan is now in a position to be independent as to iron and steel if compelled so to be, but at the same time, in the usual commercial consideration the foreign steel trade with Japan will certainly not come to an end.

In the fear of conducting a modern armada round the world, the United States has shown us a remarkable luxury; and in the similar case of the Baltic fleet it was a vital problem for Russia. From a seamanship point of view the Baltic fleet was better handled in such a critical moment as then existed than the American. The Russian commander led his fleet to his goal as one man and there met his enemy, while the American Commander-in-Chief was thrice appointed before the safe arrival of the armada at Hampton Roads. The voyage of the *Tuscaloosa* to the South Atlantic coast of the United States gave the world an idea that Japanese seamanship is not inferior to that of nations of longer experience.

An enigmatical version of "the sovereignty of the Pacific Ocean" might well jeopardise universal peace. Diplomatic representations must be replaced by an open acceptance of the facts; for no treaty can arrange or derange the

an influence upon some minds to alter our naval programme at once. Unless the present status quo is wantonly disturbed, there is no necessity for me to enter upon believe hypotheses, but unfortunately we behold a chaotic sky in the West.

After pointing out that Japan is the disseminator of Western civilisation in the East, the article concludes as follows:—However friendly we (Great Britain and Japan) may mutually be, let one precise fact be known to all, namely, there is no officer in His Imperial Majesty's service who implores, actually, either naval or military assistance from Great Britain even at our most critical moment or at a time that the alliance is in full force. Purported for high politics our alliance was formed, nor is it fatal in its aims. When the last arguments of kings have broken down in open hostilities, Japan is even prepared with men, so to speak, slightly stronger than armour plates.

**RAILWAY ENTERPRISES IN CHINA.**

Reuter gave a fairly full summary of the questions asked on this subject by Earl Stanhope in the House of Lords recently, but many readers may wish to read the full statements, which were reported in *The Times* as follows:—

Earl Stanhope asked his Majesty's Government whether, in view of Germany's assertion of rights to participate on equal terms in the construction and financing of railways in the Yangtze Provinces, his Majesty's Government recognized German claims to an exclusive position in mines and railways in Shanghai. Similarly, whether Russian financiers having intimated their intention of participating in railway enterprises in the Yangtze Valley, the Anglo-Russian Convention of 1899 with regard to railway enterprise in China had been abrogated, and whether in that case British enterprise was in a position to claim equal opportunities in the region north of the Great Wall. The noble earl further asked whether it was not advisable to determine the geographical limits within which the Japanese Government was entitled to veto or intervene in such measures as the Chinese Government might desire to take for the development of Western Manchuria and Mongolia.

The Earl of Crewe—I hope I may be allowed to express the pleasure which I am sure the whole House feels, and which I myself particularly feel as an old friend of the noble earl's family, at seeing him taking that part in the proceedings of the House to which one who was so distinguished a Parliamentary name is entitled. (Hear, hear.) I hope the questions he has put to the Government may be the forerunner—I will not say of many more questions, because no Government is eager to be questioned, but of frequent participation by him in the discussions of the House. He asks me three questions. As regards the first question, his Majesty's Government has not given the German Government any assurance in that sense. The case raised by the second question is of a somewhat different character. The proposed participation by the Russians in railway enterprise in the Yangtze Valley is confined to a loan, which is not secured by any mortgage on the line, and that loan does not appear to contravene the terms of the Anglo-Russian Agreement of 1899. I ought to add that we do not anticipate that British participation in railway enterprise north of the Great Wall on similar terms to those on which the Russians are engaged in the Yangtze Valley will occasion any protest on the part of the Russian Government. When we are considering these matters it is important to remember that owing to the great change that has taken place in the position of affairs in China since the two agreements alluded to by the noble earl were made all new railways in China will be under the control of the Chinese Government. In regard to the third question, the noble earl was conscious that he was treading on somewhat risky ground. I am afraid I cannot follow him into the matter raised by that question. As the matter stands, it is one entirely for arrangement between the respective Governments of China and Japan.

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